



Full-time Academic Status for All Students

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1.0 Purpose

2.0 Policy

Full-time enrollment for undergraduate students is 12 credit hours or more in regular A-F option or P/F option for both the Fall and Spring terms. Virginia Tech's Summer term is comprised of multiple parts of term. A part of term is an officially recognized and approved date range that takes place within the larger term. A student may enroll in one or more part of term within the term. Full-time enrollment for the multiple parts of the Summer term is 12 credit hours or more in regular A-F option or P/F option.

Full-time enrollment for graduate students is nine (9) credit hours or more in regular A-F option, P/F option, or equivalent credit (9 credit hours for the multiple parts of the Summer term).

Audit hours are not used to establish minimum full-time enrollment. Neither the payment of full fees nor compliance with maximums established as a condition of employment or appointment is a basis for deviation from this definition.

In addition, students enrolled in CEP 4084 are considered equivalent to full time.

3.0 Procedures

4.0 Definitions

5.0 References

Policy 3500, "Student Fees and Billing."

6.0 Approval and Revisions

Approved August 22, 1990, by the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, James F. Wolfe.

Annual review, December 15, 1998, by the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, David R. Ford. No revisions.

- Revision 1

Section 3. Procedures – Full-time enrollment for undergraduates increased from 3 to 5 credits for each summer term.

Approved April 17, 2002 by Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, David R. Ford.



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- Revision 2

Policy revised to include credit hour requirement for graduate student full-time academic status and provide clarifying language for part of term enrollment status.

Approved November 21, 2022, by the University Registrar, Rick Sparks.